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In all Occupations, however serious, however arduous, necessary Relaxations are always admitted. It is as impossible that a Man should sustain continual Application, without weakening his Faculties, as that a Bow should remain for a long time bent, without lessening its Force. I am sensible of this, that after dwelling a Week or two on Politicks, I am not a little glad to refresh myself with some other Subject, and I find by Experience my Readers are so too.

At the Time I had this under Consideration, my Servant enter'd my Room with a Packet from Louis, when breaking the Seal (the first Letter I took out, as knowing by the Hand-Writing that it came from a humorous Correspondent) I was agreeably pleased to find his Sentiments tally with mine; so, say he, "It is Time you should resume Moral Essays, and plague yourself no longer with these Headbooks. Our Friends at the B.A.L. represent Queen Anne as an incisive Writer; nay, I think you have insinuated something like this in a late Paper; but 'tis a Sign you were tired a little with Writing, for most certainly there cannot be a more uniform Author than he is. For Instance, look at the last of the Journal, (for you know the End of a Thing is of no small Importance;) there you will find a curious Collection of Quack-Advertisements, and from the Beginning, and you'll find the Doctor's Name. Can there be any Thing more of a Piece? to whom should the Distributors of Pills and Potions apply but to their Brother Empyricus? or where ought to be for the Body to be advertised, save in the Journal calculated of all others to poison Men's Minds?" — I will therefore, as the busy Season of the Year approaches, steal, while it is yet allowable, a few Moments for Amusement, an Hour or two of Birth, before the Calf of Political Writers, which generally the first Week of the Session.

There is nothing more natural to Man, than laughing at ridiculous Objects; which is one Reason why Laughing is commonly reckon'd as one Mark of Humanity. Hence too a Person who setting light by common Contempt is proud of being laugh'd at, is held in the utmost Detestation, a Buffoon being perhaps the lowest Character in Nature. Of late a new Employment has been taken up by Persons who have less Wit and more Ill-Nature, and that is the Trade of Fool-making; which, how much soever they may (if indeed they do) value themselves thereupon, is very mean Profession, and has more of a vulgar Spirit than of any deep Reach in it. This new Set of Smart make it their Business to lay hold of *Empty Conceited Old Fools*; and having sufficiently got them, in order to discover their Foibles, with other exterior Marks of true Friendship, recommend that Kind of Life for which they think them least fit. The natural and inevitable Consequence of this is, that such a One instantly becomes ridiculous. The Fool-maker seizes him immediately as his Property, carries him to all Publick Places, and into all Companies, where he finds himself Admittance, in order to establish him as a Sight, and entertain the rest of the world at his Expence. This, amongst the Malicious, is Wit, amongst the Humane for Cruelty, and amongst the truly Wise, for Folly. It is undoubtedly a bad at the same Time an unnatural Action, for Men thus to aim at degrading another purely in Sport.

Sempronius, tho' a *Man of Rank*, and a *Man of Parts*, is the greatest Fool-maker in the Kingdom, the greatest of his Profession. With a prodigious Store of Wit he is incapable of producing any Piece which is truly valuable; and tho' he possesses all the Elements of Eloquence, yet Men smile as soon as he begins to speak, and laugh aloud at all the good Things he says. In respect to the Theory of Human Conduct, *Sempronius* is the greatest Sage in the World, in regard to the Practice he is more at a Loss than a Child. Considering of his own Infirmities, and but too well acquainted with what the World says of him, he endeavours to cover himself by stocking the Town (at least) with Fools of his Fabric. This is his daily Employment; and as *Titus* thought the Day left, on which

he gained not a Friend, so *Sempronius* thinks the Day sadly spent, in which he does not make a Fool; ay, and make a Show of him into the Bargain. From this no Age, Sex, or Character exempts any who are acquainted with *Sempronius*. He has engaged Men of Fifty to travel for Accomplishment, drawn in young Ladies to quit their Sampiers for the Mathe-matics, and prevail'd on mad young Fellows to put on a sudden the Air of Steadiness, and in the Room of Bawdy and Blasphemy, brought them in serious Terms to talk of Law and Logick; and all this with the good-natur'd View of confounding them, and increasing the Family of the Wrongheads, which alas is but too numerous already.

One may justly wonder that after a few Experiments he did not either give over, or that all the World did not find him out. But in answer to this we may say, that his own wrong Management exposing him to continual Censure, he finds himself constrain'd to make Fools to keep him in Countenance, and to demonstrate he does not err thro' Want of Wit, nor is a Bubble thro' Deficiency of Understanding. On the other hand, Vanity and Self-conceit never allow him to be without Disciples. The Man to whom he exposes a new Fool to day, to reward his Confidence becomes himself his Fool to-morrow. Thus the Business is carried on, nor are there merrier People in the World than *Sempronius* and his *Dupes*, who are always laughing, and laugh all at each others Cost. As to the unconcerned Spectator, they are diverted with the Puppet-show, and give themselves no Trouble about either Master or Figures.

An Enumeration of the Fools *Sempronius* has made within these few Years, would fill a moderate Pamphlet; but perhaps amongst them all, *CAMPANUS* is the most entertaining. This Man was from his Youth enamour'd of the Title of a *Wit*, and to come at it sacrificed all Regards due to *Decency*, *Humanity*, or *Moral Virtue*. An impetuous Flow of Billing-gate, and a Knack of writing jingling Lines, somewhat like *Verbas*, gain'd him the Title he so much wish'd, among the lower Sort of Judges. One would now have thought him at the Top of his conceited Happiness: But so it was, that tho' he scribbled space, yet his Pen would not go the Rate of his Necessity; which constrain'd him to strike out of the High Road, and to carry Dramatick Poetry back to its Original; a kind of Satirick Dialogue, equally void of Method and Respect of Persons. Nay, Religion and Rule were not spared, but, under colour of Railery, such Mob Doctrines were introduced, as threaten'd an Inundation of popular Confusion, in search of that pretended Equality which it was surmised Men had a Right to, from *Hobbes*' Law of Nature. This Mode of Entertainment did not last long, for having once distract'd a Moiety of Mankind, he forced some Apprehensions of Danger on the other. In this Situation his Patrons, the Populace, not having quite the Measure of Authority in their Hands necessary to support him, he was forc'd to quit the Field.

It was some time after this Defeat that *CAMPANUS* had the Honour to receive the Advice of a kind Friend, who put him on a double Application to Law and Politicks, both of which he had formerly banter'd to the last degree, as cheating Contrivances to enslave Mankind. However, a few Compliments on the Strength of his Parts, which he was told, like *Tarzan Troops*, were able to over-run any thing to which they could have access, brought him to attempt both Sciences, and from playing the *Lutan*, to assume the Character of *Demosthenes*. Great Wits, like great Conquerors, *solve, see, and overcome*: The World had scarce Notice that he had made this surprizing Change, when it was more amazed by his own Declaration, that he was become a profound Lawyer, and the most penetrating of Politicians. In consequence of this, to shew his Prudence and Patriotism at once, he takes the whole Nation for his Client, and draws a Declaration against one Man, to whom the Nation, nay and himself, had infinite Obligations. At this *Sempronius* laughs immoderately, and all who are unacquainted with the same Kind of Frenzy which affects our Lawyer, laugh as loud as he. To be sure, a drollier Sight was never seen. Sometimes in a grave Mood we are satisfied with a legal Charge, which, instead of Proof, is supported by two or three Scraps of old Plays. At another time he drops the Gown, and

tops Capt. *Gulliver* upon us, with a stupid Detail of Travels, below the Capacity of *Robinson Crusoe's* *Man Friday*. Presently the Scene varies again, and he falls a talking of rural Economy, in the Name of a Country Correspondent; and then in the strain of a News Collector, he gives you a String of Fibbs, that are not so much as glazed with Probability.

But as no Coquet, however homely, fails of making some conquests; as no Don Quixot ever laid at home for want of a *Sandoz*; so our Politician-Burke had not been long known to the World before a certain dapper *Squire offer'd* his Service as a *Servant*. It was too a prospect to be rejected; and since this happy Coalition, they go together coupled like *Ringwood* and *Jowler*. Some call them the *Captain* and his *Man*; others, the *Counsellor* and his *Clark*; and not a few, the *Billy* and his *Back*. All however agree, that they team made for each other, and that never were Knight and *Squire* better match'd since the Days of *Gargantua* and *Pantagruel*. When the one runs Riot in Scandal, the other stands ready with a Basket of Billing-gate; and when the *Hero* has harangu'd the better Sort of his Customers in the Initial Letter, then comes his *Myrmidon* with two or three staring Paragraphs, full at the old Ornaments,— Lying and Detraction, to satisfy the Mob.

Thus are these Men play'd off for the Diversion of their own Party, and to the scandal of Letters. The Liberty of the Press, which is of so much real Importance, is prophan'd by the most horrid Abuse. It, and whatever ought to be held solemn and sacred, is torn'd in o' Buffoonry and Farce. Patriotism, under such Cultivation, is like to flourish; and the Cause of Liberty, no question, will derive great Lustre from the grave Discourses of this modern *Demosthenes*, and the humorous Interludes of his *Zany*. All this looks like a well-drawn Scheme of Reformation; and no Man in his Senses can doubt, that when *Sempronius* above, and *CAMPANUS* below, exert their Wit and Eloquence to support Virtue, and demolish Corruption, good Effects will follow. If we should even suppose the Age so dull as to pay no Respect to their Parts, yet the Examples of such Men must have great Weight; and while they live so well, and Folks on the other Side so ill, Practice will demonstrate where Right lies.

Such are the Nations which, in a Vacancy from better Employments, amuse my Thoughts. The Reader, perhaps, may take up the Thread where I let it drop, and run over in his Mind all the Heroes of the Faction. He may survey the mighty Actions of their Lives, and please himself with contemplating the *Wisdom*, *Justice*, *Purity*, and *unspotted Reputation* of these glorious Reformers, and thence prejuge the Success of their noble and disinterested Undertakings. In this Case, I pretend to no other Merit than that of starting the Thought, and putting him in mind of inquiring for the *Saints* among the *Patriots*. It becomes a Publick Worker to act impartially, and not to refuse any Man his due Praise for being in different Sentiments. Be that far from me, notwithstanding the Treatment I have receiv'd. I know my Distance, and would by no means enter into Comparison with such illustrious Personages, whose Characters bring Honour to the Cause they espouse, and whose Steadiness and Integrity ex-mpt them from all Suspicion of having ever changed their Opinions, or of being in any respect susceptible of Corruption.

R. FREEMAN.

HOME PORTS.

Dover, Nov. 10. Sailed the Boston Packet, Fullerton, for Amsterdam. Remain the Carolina, Gill, from New-York for London; the Levant, Williston, and the Society, Redwood, for Plymouth; the Greyhound, Shea, for Millord; the Margaret, West, for Yarmouth; and several other Colliers and Coasters. Wind N. N. E.

Dover, Nov. 10. The outward bound Ships are sailed, with the Dutch Ship for Surinam. Came down since my last and sailed, the Duke of Cumberland, Harding, for Virginia. Arrived the Exeter Merchant, Hunt, from Exeter. Wind N. E.

Grovesend, Nov. 10. Passed by the Francis, Joad, from Dartwick; the Endeavour, Langdeer, from Stockholm; the Brotherhood, Young; the Blessing, Tinsley;



Tinsley; both from Norway; and the Margareta, Myre, from Hamburg.

L O N D O N .

They write from Berlin, That M. de Maupertuis the famous Mathematician will shortly return to France, together with the Marquis D'Algarotti, and several other Learned Men, who demand such Salaries, or Pensions, as appear too exorbitant to his Prussian Majesty, and discourage him from his good Intention of making the Arts and Sciences flourish in that Electorate. Mean-time, Mademoiselle Denner, a young Singer, has been lately sent to Berlin, who has perform'd so much to his Majesty's Satisfaction, that he has a Mind to keep her in his Service, but Miss demands no less than 1000 Ducats a Year. Two other Actresses were also expected there from Italy, under the Convoy of the King's Musick-Master, who are to have a Salary of 2000 Rizzoliers.

The Polly, Henry, from Nevis for London, sprung a Leak at Sea, and is put into New-England.

The Georgia Packet, Thompson, from London for Georgia, who was ashore at Heceta Bay is got off again without Damage.

His Majesty has been pleased to constitute and appoint the Right Hon. Richard Lord Onslow, to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surry, and also Custos Rotulorum of the same, in the Room of the Lord Onslow his Father deceased.

His Majesty has been pleased to grant unto George Stone, Esq; the Office of Receiver-General of the Revenue of the General Post-office, in the Room of Denzil Onslow, Esq;

We hear, that the Right Hon. the Earl of Essex will soon set out for the Court of Prussia with an important Commission.

Yesterday the Right Hon. the Earl and Countess of Cowper came to their House in Great George-street, from their Seat at Wingham in the County of Kent.

The same Day the Right Hon. the Earl Stanhope came to his House in Hanover-square from his Seat at Chevening in the County of Kent.

Last Saturday died at Windsor James Randolph, Esq; formerly Page of Honour to her Royal Highness the Princess of Orange.

Yesterday Morning about 5 o'Clock some Rogues broke into the Houle of Mr. Dixie, at the Taylors Arms in Shoemaker-row Black-friars, and stripp'd the Shelves and Bar of all the Pewter-dishes, Pots, Candlesticks, and other things, to a considerable Value, and made off undiscover'd.

The same Morning, about 7 o'Clock, died at his Chambers in the Temple, Richard Leverett, Esq; Alderman of Aldersgate-Ward: And we hear a Wardmote will be held To-morrow, when William Benn, Esq; an eminent Soap Boiler in Bishopsgate-street, and one of the Deputies of that Ward, will be chosen in his Room without Opposition.

Her Grace the Duchess of Somerset lies very ill at Northumberland-House, Charing-Cross.

Yesterday Morning the Books of his Majesty's Sloop the Swift, were sent from the Pay-Office in Broad-street, to pay the Wages due to the Company, to the Time of their Removal into the Fox, a twenty Gun Ship.

B A N K R U P T S .

Charles Harper, of the Parish of St. Leonard Shoreditch in the County of Middlesex, Haberdasher of Hats.

Charles Salmon, late of Bull's-Croft in the Parish of Enfield in the County of Middlesex, Brewer.

George Brooke, of the City of Norwich, Worsted-weaver.

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at London Bridge. } 44 47 | 05 10

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